

REMARKS

Summary of the Office Action:

The Office Action indicates that the pending claims are directed to three inventions: group (I) claims 1-40 "drawn to computer executable instructions supporting interactions between objects via interfaces and methods;" group (II) claims 41-48 "drawn to a computer operating system capable of loading objects into working memory at run-time;" and group (III) claims 49-52 "drawn to a computer system supports object communication via proxy objects." The Office Action further indicates that each invention is distinct and that restriction is required.

Discussion of the Restriction/Election Requirement:

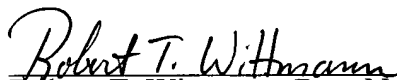
Applicants elect the claims identified by the Office Action as group (1) (claims 1-40) with traverse. The Office Action fails to establish that examination of all pending claims would create "a serious burden on the examiner." M.P.E.P. § 803.01. The search required for all claims overlap to the extent that little additional searching would be required to examine all claims. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that restriction is improper and reconsideration is requested.

Moreover, according to the Office Action, "invention III has separate utility such as using proxy objects to transferring messages between objects located in different address spaces." However, the Office Action has not set forth an explanation as to why restriction is appropriate with respect to the claims in group (II). Accordingly, should the Restriction Requirement be maintained, Applicants request examination of both claim groups I and II.

Conclusion

The application is considered in good and proper form for allowance, and the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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